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IN THE CLAIMS:

1.-2. (Cancelled)

3. (Previously Presented) An optical disk device comprising a control section for controlling track hold of a pickup with respect to an optical disk recording medium, wherein in order to carry out tracking after said control section performs a track jump, the control section is for measuring an offset amount of a lens relative to the center of the pickup, and for not performing tracking processing until the offset amount is not greater than a predetermined value.

4. (Currently Amended) An optical disk device comprising a control section for controlling track hold of a pickup with respect to an optical disk recording medium, wherein

the control section is for measuring an offset amount of a lens relative to the center of the pickup a plurality of times before said control section performs a track jump, and for performing a track jump when the offset amount is reduced each

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time of the measurements ~~to a predetermined value~~ and a latest offset amount is within a predetermined range.

5. (Previously Presented) The optical disk device according to claim 4, wherein the control section is for changing the predetermined value and for comparing the predetermined value with the offset amounts measured several times depending on a number of tracks to be jumped by said track jump.

6.-9. (Cancelled)

10. (Currently Amended) A track hold control method for controlling, in an optical disk device, track hold of a pickup with respect to an optical disk recording medium, the method comprising:

providing a pickup comprising a lens;

measuring several times before a control section performs a track jump, an offset amount of the lens relative to the center of the pickup, and performing a track jump when the offset amount

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is reduced each time of the measurement ~~to a predetermined value~~
and a latest offset amount is within a predetermined range.

11. (Previously Presented) The track hold control method according to claim 10, further comprising comparing the predetermined value with the offset amounts measured several times and changing the predetermined value depending on the number of tracks to be jumped by said track jump.

12. (Cancelled)